



# Studying the Holocaust

## RESISTANCE, RESCUE AND SURVIVAL

### How did the Nazis find the Jews?

The German government periodically conducted a census of all people living in Germany. The census recorded each person's birth date, sex, marital status, religion, and for the first time, race. Race was traced through a person's parents and grandparents.

Also, many local people knew who was Jewish in their area and reported them.

### Discussion questions:

- How did these laws affect the Jewish people?
- How did they affect non-Jewish people?
- Why do you think so many anti-Jewish laws were passed?

### Resources:

Text of the Nuremberg laws can be found at the links below (or go to [yadvashem.org](http://yadvashem.org) and type "Nuremberg Laws" in the search box):

- **Nuremberg Laws on Reich Citizenship, September 15, 1935**  
[yadvashem.org/about\\_holocaust/documents/part1/doc32.html](http://yadvashem.org/about_holocaust/documents/part1/doc32.html)
- **Nuremberg Law for the Protection of German Blood and German Honor, September 15, 1935**  
[yadvashem.org/about\\_holocaust/documents/part1/doc33.html](http://yadvashem.org/about_holocaust/documents/part1/doc33.html)
- **First Regulation to the Reich Citizenship Law, November 14, 1935**  
[yadvashem.org/about\\_holocaust/documents/part1/doc34.html](http://yadvashem.org/about_holocaust/documents/part1/doc34.html)
- **Extracts from Hitler's Speech in the Reichstag on the Nuremberg Laws, September 1935**  
[yadvashem.org/about\\_holocaust/documents/part1/doc35.html](http://yadvashem.org/about_holocaust/documents/part1/doc35.html)
- **Extract from Hitler's Speech on the Importance of the Nuremberg Laws, at a Meeting of Party Leaders**  
[yadvashem.org/about\\_holocaust/documents/part1/doc36.html](http://yadvashem.org/about_holocaust/documents/part1/doc36.html)